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## Memorandum

To: Marine Fueling Permit Holders

From: Timothee Rodrique, Director Division of Fire Safety

**Date:** November 20, 2013

**Re:** Revised Marine Fueling Regulations (527 CMR 15)

This is to inform our Marine Fueling Permit holders that the Board of Fire Prevention has adopted a complete revision of 527 CMR 15 (Marine Fueling). This revision is the first comprehensive revision of the Marine Fueling Regulation since 1997. The revision became effective November 8, 2013.

Some highlights of the revised regulation include the following:

- Requirement for State Fire Marshal review and approval of new or renovated facilities.
- Safe fueling requirements.
- Separate provisions for both new and existing operations.
- Revised training requirements for Authorized Marine Fueling Operators.

This is just a summary of the changes to the new regulation. As the holder of a Marine Fueling Permit, you are responsible for compliance with the entire regulation. Unofficial copies of the regulation may be viewed and downloaded at http://www.mass.gov/eopss/docs/dfs/osfm/cmr/cmr-secured/527015.pdf

Official copies of the regulation may be purchased from the Secretary of State's State Bookstore.

We have three separate marine fueling applications on our website. Please download the appropriate application, complete, obtain the necessary signatures and then return it to this office along with your **renewal notice**.

The following applications are available on our web site (www.mass.gov/dfs):

- Barge Marine Fueling (FP 293B)
- Fixed Marine Fueling (FP 293F)
- Mobile Marine Fueling (FP 293M)

Renewal notices for current Marine Fueling Permit holders were sent out this week by email. If the permit holder does not have an email address on file, the renewal was sent through regular mail. Please include this renewal notice when you return your marine fueling application along with the appropriate fee.

Administrative Services • Division of Fire Safety Haxardous Materials Response • Massachusetts Firefighting Academy It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that a valid permit is in their possession when conducting fueling. Any delay in the issuance of a license or permit, due to an incomplete filing, will be the sole responsibility of the applicant. Incomplete applications for permits and licenses issued by the Office of the State Fire Marshal will be returned to the applicant. An application will be considered incomplete if any information is missing, if any of the documents or signatures required for that license are not attached, or if applicable fees are not paid in full.

If you have any technical questions, please contact the Code Compliance and Enforcement Unit at 978-567-3375 or in western Massachusetts at 413-587-3181.